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Local Young Women Awarded for Volunteerism

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From left: Terry Enns, club president; Jasmine Jimenez, Women's Opportunity Award recipient; Grace Barosky, Violet Richardson Award recipient; Casey Miller, Violet Richardson Award runner-up; and Soroptimist Founder Region Governor Dona Gaddis-Wolf. Photo Provided

Soroptimist International of 24-680 held its annual awards brunch April 20 to recognize young women ages 14-17 engaged in volunteer action within their communities or schools, making the community and world a better place.

Jasmine Jimenez received the Women's Opportunity Award and a check to assist her with her education. She is working full-time and attending school full-time, while caring for her young son. This award assists women with primary financial responsibility for their families to obtain the skills, training and education necessary to improve their employment status and standard of living for themselves and their family.

Lafayette resident Grace Barosky received the Violet Richardson Award, a check to honor her, and a check to Zenophon Therapeutic Riding of Orinda, where she volunteers weekly. Runner-up for this award went to Lafayette resident Casey Miller, who is a regular volunteer at Aegis of Moraga. She also received a check to honor her. Kathy Macbride, who was not able to attend, was the recipient of the Ruby Award for her work with women and girls in the Kasigau region of Kenya through A Better Education Club (ABE), to improve, expand, and support education at all six schools.

Funds totaling \$1,950 were provided by Soroptimist International of 24-680 to these recipients.

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